[Sadasyatilaka T. K. Velu Pillai.]

President. My friend was a young man then. He was not as wise as myself. What I want to say is one day at night at about 11·30 or 12 o' clock my friend wanted some water to drink as I also wanted. We remembered water everywhere. But there was no water there. The throat was parching. The stomach was making all sorts of screams. What can we do? Imagine the condition of those unfortunate people who are obliged to live there in times of flood. They remain hours together in small boats as small as what are called 'kothumbu'.

MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI: Did the honourable member look like a half starved man?

SADASYATILAKA T. K. VELU PILLAI: In all countries there are small people and big people, there are poor people and rich people. In a country where we are half-starved there may be persons having a a comfortable life. But all that I say is that we must make it possible for them to live. We must help them to cultivate the land. Now, Sir, when human life itself is difficult to maintain at some periods of the year, if a poor cow or calf gets ill at night, when waters are rolling how is it possible for anybody to go five or six miles and get a physician? Therefore the Government must take into serious consideration the necessity for making provision on the lines suggested by Mr. Narayana Kurup. Mr. Kumaran Vaidyan has also told the same story. There are thousands of oxen, buffaloes and sheep in this country? What, are we for if we are not able to help the agriculturists? With these words, I request Government to accept this resolution and implement a method to do credit to our country.

MR. K. SUBRAMONIA PILLAI: Kuttanad is an area which is water-logged. The houses there are situated on small islands, and as such it is very difficult for sick cattle being taken over to the Veterinary Hospital at Alleppey which is nearest to that place. There also appears to be a real difficulty in taking a Veterinary doctor to the place. So I hope the matter will be investigated by the Veterinary Superintendent as early as possible.

With regard to the shifting of the Parur hospital to some other station, I may say that the matter may also be investigated as early as possible.

The resolution was by leave of the House, withdrawn.

The following resolutions were not moved :—

6. *Revision of Public Service Recruitment Rules.*

MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU (*Nominated*) :

"This Assembly recommends to Government that the existing Public Service Recruitment Rules be amended so that the two posts for "the Other Hindus group be raised at least to seven posts".

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